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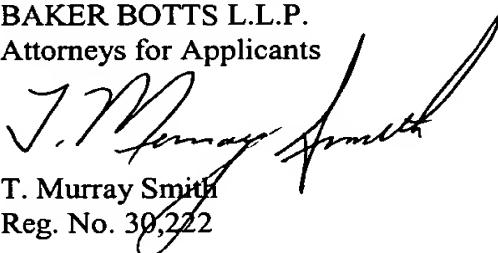
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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants are enclosing copies of two patents which may be material to examination of the present application. These two patents are each listed on enclosed Form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that these patents be taken into account when this application is taken up for examination, and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

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